January 9, 2017

The Honorable Jocelyn D. Boyd Chief Clerk/ Administrator Public Service Commission of South Carolina 101 Executive Center Drive Columbia, South Carolina 29210

RE:

Water Head, LLC

Request for Modification of its Tariff for Water Service

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Water Head, LLC ("Water Head") is a public utility within the definition of S.C. Code Ann. §58-5-10 providing water service to residential and commercial customers in Pickens County. Pursuant to the authority set out in S.C. Code §58-5-240(G), Water Head hereby requests that it be permitted to modify the terms of its rate schedule for water service. This letter serves as written request to implement a charge to install water meters for new developmental structures. The added language to the tariff will read as follows:

"New Commercial Customers will be charged a \$3,500 Connection Fee (New Connections Only)."

"New Residential Customers will be charged a \$2,000 Connection Fee (New Connections Only)."

This fee is necessary to cover the current cost of connecting a new customer to the water system and installing a water meter at each new structure throughout the Water Head service area. Water Head believes that this cost should be borne by new builders and not the existing customers. The fee will not impact current customers or the transfer of a previously active account (for which an existing connection exist) to a new customer.

S.C. Code Ann. §58-5-240(G) provides, as follows:

"(G) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the Commission may allow rates or tariffs to be put into effect without a hearing upon order of the Commission when such rates or tariffs do not require a determination of the entire rate structure and overall rate of return, or when the rates or tariffs do not result in any rate increase to the public utility, or when the rates or tariffs are for experimental purposes."

Accordingly, the Applicant, Water Head, respectfully submits this request for a modification of language in its tariff and approval of the request to add the Connection Fees of \$3,500 for Commercial Customers and \$2,000 for Residential Customers without a hearing as outlined herein.

Thank you for your assistance and consideration of this matter. If you have any questions or if any additional information is required, feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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